

via facsimile and U.S. Mail

July 17, 1998

Brad Bradley, RPM U.S. EPA, Region 5 (5尺 む) 77 West Jackson Blvd Chicago, Illinois 60604-3570

Re: Staging excavated residential and remote fill material at the NL Industries/Taracorp industrial portion of site Granite City, Illinois

Dear Brad:

As requested in a July 10, 1998 teleconference meeting with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (U.S. ACE), and ENTACT representatives, I spoke with Mr. Bob Rogers of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) concerning the modifications to the document entitled "Draft Remedial Activities Workplan, NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site. Residential and Remote Fill Locations, Granite City, Illinois" (the Workplan), dated May 29, 1998. These modifications were discussed on the July 9th letter. During the telephone conference with Mr. Rogers on July 14, 1998, I discussed the requested modifications in the Workplan that would allow for the staging of material excavated from the residential and remote fill at OHM's asphalt treatment pad located on the NL Industries/Taracorp industrial portion of the site. In addition, I briefly discussed the request to also stage clean backfill on the site.

After discussing the proposed modifications with Mr. Rogers, I asked specifically if there were any concerns, i.e., special waste regulatory concerns, that the IEPA may have relating to the staging of the excavated soils at the industrial site. He indicated that if the material is staged in the area that IEPA had previously approved for on-site staging and treatment of waste, IEPA would support the staging of the excavated material on the industrial. From a logistical perspective, Mr. Rogers agreed with the staging of the material at the industrial site.

I indicated to Mr. Rogers that I would briefly summarize his comments in a letter concerning this matter to U.S. EPA and send a copy to him. In addition, I stated that I would send him a facsimile of the July 9th letter sent to U.S. EPA. I indicated that if he had any additional questions concerning the information in the facsimile of the July 9th letter or other concerns to call me.

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1616 Corporate Court Suite #150 Irving, Texas 75038 Based on the verbal responses from the U.S. EPA, U.S. ACE, and IEPA on the modifications, ENTACT is presently modifying the Workplan to incorporate the modifications into the Workplan as outlined in the July 9th letter. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me at 972-580-1323 as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

Thad Slaughter ENTACT, Inc.

cc: Bob Rogers, IEPA

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